

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Amend the paragraph beginning at Page 1, line 3 as follows:

**BACKGROUND OF INVENTION CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

Amend the paragraph beginning at Page 1, line 4 as follows:

This application is a continuation of U.S. patent application, Serial No. 09/640,530, filed August 17, 2000 which claims priority from ~~provision~~ U. S. provisional patent application U.S. serial no., Serial No. 60/156,828, filed September 30, 1999, the benefit of which is claimed under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(3).

Amend the paragraph beginning at Page 1, line 7 as follows:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

This invention relates to adenosine A-3 receptor antagonists, pharmaceutical compositions containing such inhibitors and the use of such inhibitors to treat, for example, ischemia particularly, perioperative myocardial ischemia injury in mammals, including humans.